Timeline for schools opening in 2009-2010

Nov. 30, 2007 Deadline for new charter school applications.

Dec. 7, 2007 Applications sent to readers

Jan. 1, 2008 Applications back from readers

Jan. 1 – Jan. 31, 2008 Meet with Charter School Staff to improve application

Feb. 8, 2008 Final submission deadline

Feb. 21 – April 17, 2008 Presentations to State Charter School Board

May 15, 2008 Decisions by State Charter School Board regarding applications.

June 6, 2008 State Board of Education approval of new charter schools

June - July 2008 Become incorporated and receive a tax identification number from the Department of

Commerce.

Apply for tax-exempt status from the IRS

Open a qualified depository bank account

August 2008 Charter School Board Members begin attending monthly trainings offered by

CharterSTAR.

August 2008 At least one member of the Charter School Board begins to attend monthly Director's

meetings.

October 2008 Attend Fall Utah Facilities Operations and Maintenance Association (UFOMA)

conference

October 26, 2008 Background checks and fingerprinting of board members must be completed by schools

opening 2009-2010. Submit evidence of completion to Melinda Fatani at

melinda.fatani@schools.utah.gov.

November 1, 2008 Begin monthly submission of groundbreaking and facility status progress report by

schools opening 2009-2010 to Melinda Fatani at melinda.fatani@schools.utah.gov.

January 1, 2009 Groundbreaking for schools opening 2009-2010 must be completed.

March 7, 2009

School website for schools opening 2008-2009 must be completed.

March 28, 2009

Documented outreach efforts by schools opening 2009-2010 submitted to Charter School Office. Submit evidence of completion to Melinda Fatani at melinda.fatani@schools.utah.gov or mail to Utah State Office of Education, Attention: Melinda Fatani- Charter Schools, P.O. Box 144200, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4200. Outreach efforts must include notifying families of potential students of:

- School's purpose and focus
- School's governance structure and contact information of board members
- Number of students being admitted to the school
- School year calendar
- Information on how to access the State-approved student charter school application
- Procedures for transferring to or from a charter school (with timelines)
- Provide for payment (if required) of a one time fee per secondary school enrollment consistent with §53A-12-103

*The USOE Charter School Office strongly recommends the outreach efforts begin earlier than this date due to the February 20, 2009 deadline for student application

March 31, 2009

Written notice of acceptance or denial of a student enrollment application sent to parents from the Charter School

Written notice made by the Charter School to a student's current charter school or resident school district upon acceptance of enrollment. §53A-1a-506.5iv

Transfer Students

March 31, 2009

Written notice made by the parent to the district of residence informing of their intent to withdraw their student from a charter school and enroll their student in the district of residence during the subsequent school year (2009-2010).

Written notice made by the parent to the present charter school their student is attending informing of their intent to withdraw their student from that charter school and enroll their student in a different charter school during the subsequent school year (2009-2010)

April 30, 2009

Written acceptance of the offer from the student's parents to the Charter School due.

May 1-15, 2009

Pre-Opening Site Visits #1. Rubric will be sent out prior to the visit.

June 1-15, 2009

Pre-Opening Site Visits #2. Rubric will be sent out prior to the visit.

July 1-15, 2009 Pre-Opening Site Visits #3. Rubric will be sent out prior to the visit.
August 7-21, 2009 Pre-Opening Site Visits #4. Rubric will be sent out prior to the visit.
September 2009 Attend training meetings for assessment and curriculum
September 2009 Begin attending monthly Special Education LEAD and Roundtable trainings